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*If you are not sure if the contractor you are considering, check with the Contractor Licensing Division of the*



*Public Works Department at 772-462-1673. They can tell*

*you if the contractor meets all of the County's requirements.*

## **Is PVC pipe allowed in the County right-of-way?**

*No. Only corrugated metal pipe or concrete pipe is allowed in the County right-of-way. Whichever is used, mitered ends are required.*

## **How long do I have to complete the work spelled out in the permit?**

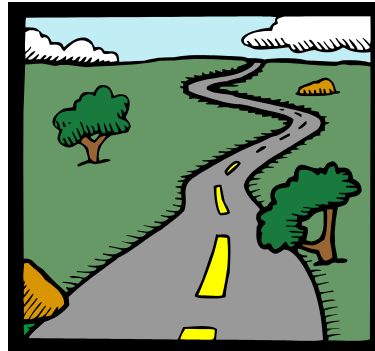
*The permit is good for a six month period from the date of issuance*



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## **Do I need a driveway permit to enlarge my parking area between the road right-of-way and my home?**

*No. The driveway permit issued by St. Lucie County only covers the connections that lie between the edge of the roadway and the property line.*



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# **Driveways**

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## **Access to Your House**



St. Lucie County BOCC  
Water Quality Division  
2300 Virginia Avenue  
Fort Pierce, Florida 34982  
(772) 462-2511

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## How do I know if I need a permit?



*If your property attaches to a County maintained roadway, then you must apply for a driveway permit. If you want to add a new driveway connection at your property or to upgrade your existing driveway you must have a driveway permit before any work can begin.*

## Are the County's specifications for a driveway the same as the Cities of Port St. Lucie and Fort Pierce?

*No. Please make sure you read your permit completely before you begin. The County has different requirements than the Cities, such as the depth of the concrete within the right-of-way. The County also requires miter ends on the culvert pipes with poured concrete collars.*



## How do I find out if my roadway is a County road?

*Contact the Water Quality Division at (772)462-2511, request verification that you are on a County road and directions for obtaining a driveway permit.*



## What are the fees for the permits?

*If you are upgrading an existing driveway, the fee is \$25.00. If you are adding a new driveway connection, the fee is \$155.00. If the new driveway you wish add is a circular driveway, the fee is still \$155.00, as both will be covered under one permit.*



## What do I get for the permit fee?

*The Driveway Inspector will come to your property to determine at what depth the culvert pipe (if needed) is to be placed at, as well as*



*the length and size your pipe will need to be. The length of culvert pipe needed for your driveway is determined, in part, by the width of driveway you are requesting.*

*The Driveway Inspector will perform a pre-pour inspection of all form work as well as a final inspection to see that all conditions of the permit are met.*



*Please make sure that you have completely filled in the driveway permit application, as all of this information is necessary to expedite your permit in a timely fashion.*

## Can anyone do the work for me?



*The property owner may do his or her own work as an "owner builder" without hiring a contractor. If the property owner hires a contractor, they must be a licensed and insured contractor to work within the County right-of-way, this protects everyone involved.*